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PSC APPROVES TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT

Jefferson City (September 23, 2002)---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved a territorial agreement between Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE and Cuivre River Electric Cooperative which designates the electric boundaries of each in portions of Lincoln and Warren Counties. The agreement displaces competition between the two electric service providers in parts of Lincoln and Warren Counties and provides for a Competition Area, known as the Highway T corridor.

The parties agree that Cuivre River should be allowed to serve new customers in the Competition Area even if a municipality in that area exceeds a population of 1,500. Absent this agreement, Cuivre River would not be able to serve new structures in this or other municipalities without a Commission finding that Cuivre River was the "predominate supplier" at the time the decennial census declared the city in excess of 1,500 population.

No current customers of either electric service provider would experience a change of supplier under this agreement.

The Commission approved the application determining the agreement: 1) would avoid any future duplication of facilities in the affected areas; 2) would result in cost benefits; and 3) would not have a negative impact upon any AmerenUE or Cuivre River Electric Cooperative customers.